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From: Commanding Officer USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)

To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05A5G)

Subj: Quarterly Historical Report; submission of

Ref: (a) OPNAV INSTRUCTION 5750.8

Encl: (1) Quarterly Historical Report for the period
1 January through 31 March 1960

1. In accordance with reference (a) the Quarterly Historical Report of the USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16) is submitted herewith as enclosure (1).


S. E. RUEHLOW

UNIT

USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)

REPORTING PERIOD

FROM 1 JAN 1960 TO 31 MAR 1960

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. UNIT (Name and/or designation. If different from previous period, give prior designation, date changed, and authorization. New units show date and place of commissioning.)		USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)			
2. COMMANDING OFFICER		RANK	RELIEVED (If command changed)		DATE
S. E. RUEHLOW		CAPT			
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)	NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
	OFFICER	28		85	113
	ENLISTED		0	1931	1931

4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)

ATTACK CARRIER

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
COMCARDIV - 1	1-1 to 3-31	COMNAVAIRPAC	1-1 to 1-9
		COMFAIRWHIDBY	1-10 to 3-31

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
SAN DIEGO (1y and upkeep)	1 Jan - 7 Jan
Enroute PUGET SOUND NAVAL SHIPYARD	8 Jan - 12 Jan
PUGET SOUND NAVAL SHIPYARD (overhaul)	13 Jan - 31 Mar

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. NONE		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED 1505	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL 390,738 (gals)	AVIATION FUEL NONE (gals)
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5-6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS 8 day landings this quarter	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS 8 day launches this quarter

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1.	TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
	TOTAL					

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

NONE

COMMANDING OFFICER	RANK	DATE FORWARDED
S. E. RUEHLOW <i>S. E. Ruehlow</i>	CAPT	

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To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05A5G)

Subj: Quarterly Historical Report; submission of

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Encl: (1) Quarterly Historical Report for the period 1 April
through 30 June 1960

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S. E. RUEHLow

UNIT

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FROM 1 Apr 60 TO 30 Jun 60

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USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)

2. COMMANDING OFFICER

S. E. RUEHLOW

RANK

CAPT

RELIEVED (If command changed)

DATE

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

(End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)

NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
OFFICER	25		86	111
ENLISTED		NONE	1902	1902

4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)

ATTACK CARRIER

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

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7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
COMCARDIV ONE	4-1 to 6-30	COMFAIRWHIDBY	4-1 to 4-15
		COMNAVAIRPAC	4-16 to 6-30

ENCLOSURE (1)

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
	NONE	

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a. NONE			
b.			
c.			

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

Post overhaul training including sea trails, underway training and day air operations.

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
Puget Sound Naval Shipyard	1 April - 15 May
Enroute to San Diego	16 May - 25 May
San Diego	26 May - 30 June

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. Carrier Air Group 21	20-30 Jun	d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL	AVIATION FUEL
5889	1,684,721 (gals)	220,505 (gals)

5.6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS
375 Day Landings	404 Day Launches
26,000th landing on 29 June 1960	

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
	TOTAL					

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

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NONE

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From: Commanding Officer, USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)
To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05A5G)

Subj: Quarterly Historical Report; submission of

Ref: (a) OPNAV INSTRUCTION 5750.8 of 11 Jun 1957

Encl: (1) Quarterly Historical Report for the period 1 July through 30
September 1960

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the USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16) is submitted herewith as enclosure (1).


S. B. STRONG

UNIT

USS LEXINGTON (CVA-16)

REPORTING PERIOD

FROM 1 Jul 1960 TO 30 Sep 1960

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2. COMMANDING OFFICER						RANK		RELIEVED (If command changed)				DATE			
S. E. RUEHLOW						CAPT		CAPT S. B. STRONG				8 July 1960			
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)						NAVAL		AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS		OTHER		TOTAL	
						OFFICER		27				82		109	
						ENLISTED						1754		1754	
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)															

ATTACK CARRIER

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
COMCARDIV ONE	7-1 to 9-30	COMNAVAIRPAC	7-1 to 9-30

Enclosure (1)

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
	NONE	

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.	NONE			
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

Conducting local training, including both day and night air operations for various units of the Pacific Fleet.

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
San Diego	7-1 to 9-6
Enroute San Francisco	9-6 to 9-9
San Francisco	9-9 to 9-12
San Diego	9-12 to 9-30

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. CVG-12	7-18 to 7-22	CVG-21	8-22 to 8-26
b. CVG-2	7-25 to 7-29	CVG-21	9-6 to 9-13
c. CVG-15	8-15 to 8-19	CVG-21	9-26 to 9-30

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL	AVIATION FUEL
11328	18314.9 (gals)	511,856 (gals)

5.6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS
2179 DAY RECOVERIES	2099 DAY LAUNCHES
778 NIGHT RECOVERIES	440 NIGHT LAUNCHES


PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
	TOTAL					

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

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UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

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COMMANDING OFFICER	RANK	DATE FORWARDED
S. B. STRONG	CAPT	

UNIT

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2. COMMANDING OFFICER		RANK	RELIEVED (If command changed)		DATE	
S. B. STRONG		CAPT				
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)		NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
		OFFICER	27		111	138
		ENLISTED		XXX	1755	1755
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)						

Attack Carrier

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

NONE

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
COMNAVAIRPAC	- 24 Nov	COMFIRSTFLT	29 Oct - 24 Nov
COMCARDIV ONE	24 Nov -	COMSEVENTHFLT COMCARDIV THREE	24 Nov - 3 Jan 3 Jan -

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
3-14 Oct	WEPTRAEX and STEEPLEJACK	The purposes of these exercises, conducted off the coast of California were: a. WEPTRAEX, (b) (3) (A) and (b) (3) (A) b. STEEPLEJACK, (b) (3) (A) (b) (3) (A)
9-11 Dec	BLUESKY	This joint operation, held near Taiwan, was a test of the capability of a carrier striking force to penetrate; and of the Chinese Nationalist to sustain; a defense system.

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TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a. NONE			
b.			
c.			

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

General operational training, conducted in accordance with the operations schedule in WESTPAC.

PART - II SHIPS

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San Diego	10-1 to 10-29
Enroute to Hawaii	10-29 to 11-1
Hawaii	11-1 to 11-21
Enroute to Guam	11-21 to 11-30
Guam	12-1 to 12-2
Enroute to Manila, P. I.	12-2 to 12-6
Manila	12-6 to 12-9
Enroute to Hong Kong, China	12-9 to 12-25
Hong Kong, China	12-25 to 12-31

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. CVG-21	10-29 ----	d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL	AVIATION FUEL
21048	4799729 (gals)	JP-5 1,756,310 (gals) AV-GAS 163,141 (Gals)

5.6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS

1,672 Day Recoveries
240 Night Recoveries

CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS

1,550 Day Launches
220 Night Launches

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)

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COMMANDING OFFICER  S. B. STRONG	RANK CAPTAIN	DATE FORWARDED JAN 17 1961
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U.S.S. LEXINGTON (CVA-16)

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S. B. STRONG						CAPTAIN									
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						OFFICER		29				87		116	
						ENLISTED				XXXXXXX		1820		1820	
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)															

ATTACK CARRIER

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9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

DESCRIPTIONS:

General operational training conducted in accordance with the operations schedule in WESTPAC.

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as, Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
APPENDED HERETO	

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. CVG-21	10-29----	d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED 40,554	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL 8,853,113 (gals)	AVIATION FUEL JP-5 3,884,358 (gals) AV-GAS 399,503
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5.6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS		CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS			
		<u>Starboard</u>		<u>Port</u>	<u>Total</u>
DAY -	4,420	DAY -		1,581	3,352
NIGHT -	660	NIGHT -		240	676
5,080 TOTAL					

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
	TOTAL					

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PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF, record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

NONE

COMMANDING OFFICER

S. E. STRONG

RANK

CAPTAIN

DATE FORWARDED

6 APR 1961

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES.

<u>PERIODS</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>	<u>BRIEF SUMMARY</u>
3-14 Oct 1960	WEPTRAEX & STEEPLEJACK	<p>The purposes of these exercises conducted off the coast of California were:</p> <p>a. WEPTRAEX, (b) (3) (A) (b) (3) (A) (b) (3) (A) and,</p> <p>b. STEEPLEJACK, (b) (3) (b) (3) (A)</p>
9-11 Dec 1960	BLUESKY	This joint operation, held near Taiwan, was a test of the capability of a carrier striking force to penetrate; and of the Chinese Nationalists to sustain; a defense system.
13 Jan 1961	SEVASWEX	Anti-Submarine Warfare exercise. LEXINGTON flew opposing sorties.
15-16 Jan 1961	BULLDOG	Joint Naval exercise with units of the British Fleet. LEXINGTON flew air-to-air missions with the HMS HERMES.
5-9 Feb 1961	WEAPONS DEMONSTRATION	Weapons Demonstration for representatives of SEATO and other nations. LEXINGTON hosted a number of CINCPACFLT guests throughout.
8 Mar 1961	BLUESKY	Taiwan defense exercise. LEXINGTON participated with the Chinese Armed Forces, specifically with the Chinese Air Force.
14 Mar 1961	TOP HAT	Carrier striking force effectiveness exercise. LEXINGTON flew sorties against Taiwan in cooperation with the Chinese Armed Forces and liaisons.

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PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
San Diego (WEPTRAIX & STEEPLEJACK 3-14 Oct 1960)	10-1 to 10-29
Enroute to Hawaii	10-29 to 11-4
Hawaii	11-4 to 11-21
Enroute to Guam	11-21 to 11-30
Guam	11-30 to 12-2
Enroute to Manila, P. I.	12-2 to 12-6
Manila, P. I.	12-6 to 12-9
Enroute to Hong Kong, China with Exercise BLUESKY	12-9 to 12-25
Hong Kong, China	12-25 to 1-1
Enroute to USNAS Cubi Point, P. I.	1-1 to 1-9
USNAS Cubi Point, P. I.	1-9 to 1-11
Underway on combined exercises SEASWEX and BULLDOG	1-11 to 1-17
USNAS Cubi Point, P. I.	1-17 to 1-31
Underway on pre-Weapons Demonstration	2-1 to 2-4
USNAS Cubi Point, P. I. to embark Weapon Demonstration guests	2-5
Enroute to Buckner Bay, Okinawa and Weapons Demonstration	2-5 to 2-9
Buckner Bay, Okinawa	2-9 to 2-11
Enroute to USNAS, Cubi Point, P. I.	2-11 to 2-14
USNAS Cubi Point, P. I.	2-14 to 2-24
Enroute to Hong Kong, China	2-24 to 3-1
Hong Kong, China	3-1 to 3-6
Enroute to Buckner Bay, Okinawa with Exercise BLUESKY	3-6 to 3-11
Buckner Bay, Okinawa	3-11 to 3-13
Enroute to Sasebo, Japan with Exercise TOP HAT	3-13 to 3-20
NAVSTA Sasebo, Japan	3-20 to 3-22
Underway for South China Sea and then enroute to USNAS, Cubi Point, P. I.	3-22 to 3-30
USNAS, Cubi Point, P. I.	3-30 --

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